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SUBJ: BROWN & ROOT WINS EMGINEERING CONTRACT FOR SAUDI

CRUDE OIL PIPELINE MAJOR PROJECT

REF: USDOC 17343

1. THE EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED WITH LOCAL OFFICE OF BROWN & ROOT THAT IT HAS BEEN AWARDED THE ABQAIQYENBO CRUDE PIPELINE ENGINEERING CONTRACT. CONTRACT WAS SIGNED BY ABDUL HADI TAHER, GOVERNOR OF PETROMIN, ON JUNE 8 AND IS ON A COST PLUS BASIS. B&W REPRESENTATIVE STATES THAT THE TOTAL COST CAN RUN UP TO \$30 MILLION. JOB IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN 18 MONTHS.

- 2. THE ENGINEERING WILL BE DONE IN HOUSTON, TEXAS BUT B&W WILL OPEN UP OFFICE IN JIDDA IN ADDITION TO ITS RIYADH HEADQUARTERS AND AL KHOBAR BRANCH OFFICE.
- 3. B&W REPS WILL VISIT MONTUBI OF MILAN, WHICH UNCLASSIFIED

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IS SUPPLYING PART OF 48 INCH PIPE, SHORTLY. REP STATES THAT THE ENGINEERING CONTRACT WILL NOT RPT NOT ELIMINATE COMPANY FROM BIDDING ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WHICH IT INTENDS TO DO.

4. THE SMALLER GAS PIPELINE, WHICH WILL PARALLEL THE CRUDE PIPELINE, IS REPORTEDLY WON BY BECHTEL.

U.S. CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES IN JIDDA BELIEVE THAT B&W WILL NOT NOW GO AFTER YENBO REFINERY ENGINEERING CONTRACT. U.S. FIRMS REPORTEDLY INTERESTED IN LATTER INCLUDE FOSTER-WHEELER, DAAVO, BACHTEL AND R.A. PERSONS.
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